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THE NEW PATRIOT

Your student newspaper looks a bit different.

As the editor, it is my pleasure to announce a considerable evolution in the design and content of The

Faculty satisfaction down

□ University rates low on UT System work condition survey.

BY ROBERT BOGGS
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Tenure and promotion, salary compression and stronger research culture — areas in which faculty members have expressed dissatisfaction — topped the list of

issues University President Rodney Mabry presented to the Faculty Senate at its first official meeting of the semester.

Senators also were asked to consider which areas — such as salaries, graduate

student stipends or campus security — may require more funding that could be obtained through changes in tuition levels.

Mabry asked for ways to "regularize the process to improve consistency and transparency" in the promotion of tenure-track faculty and introduce more grant-funded research. Faculty

members expressed concerns about taking time away from teaching to do research.

Senators also discussed raises to adjust perceived inequities between salaries of assistant, associate and full professors, a phenomenon known as salary compression.

Salary compression,

which occurs when new faculty members are hired at salaries similar to or even higher than current employees at higher ranks, has long been a concern of the Faculty Senate. In April 2000, the senate unanimously approved a motion to request the administration find methods to reward senior faculty members to

reduce salary compression.

The areas Mabry addressed at the senate's Sept. 12 meeting also mirrored questions posed this year by a faculty satisfaction survey requested by the University of Texas System Faculty Advisory Council and commissioned by the chancellor's office. The sys-

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BRAD SMITH staff photographer

Students take advantage of the newly opened Louise Herrington Patriot Center. The new facility wasn't the only addition to campus this semester — total enrollment increased by more than 500 students, a 12.5 percent increase over last fall.

SGA election slated to fill senator seats

BY EMILY STEVENS
SENIOR REPORTER

Special elections to fill vacant Student Government Association positions will be held on campus Sept. 24-25.

Polling stations will be available in the University Center, Business Building, University Pines Apartments, and at the Longview and Palestine campuses. The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Candidates for positions available in the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Education and Psychology, and College of

College of Education and Psychology: (one open seat)

- Elizabeth Caulkins, psychology major
- Grant McKnight, psychology major
- Makeshia Patin, psychology major

College of Nursing and Health Science: (two open seats)

- Jennie Bearden, nursing major
- Teleshia Coleman, nursing major
- Kim Hill, nursing major

A candidates meeting was held Sept. 10, in which Rules Committee members

Patriot.

The changes come in response to input from many readers through reader surveys and casual conversations.

By popular demand, we have added a crossword puzzle, comics and horoscopes, features made possible by a subscription to Knight Ridder Campus, a wire service designed for college newspapers.

Inside, you will also find Pulse, a new two-page section devoted to entertainment, features and topics important to students.

As the University continues to expand, it is our goal to keep up with the new athletic teams and strive to keep students and faculty up-to-date on the news.

As always, reader input on these changes is essential. Please send your comments to patrioteditor@uttyler.edu.

Robert Boggs
Editor in Chief

QUOTE:

"First of all, I remind you that neither monumental buildings, nor anxious administrators, nor ambitious plans ever taught a college student.

Faculties teach."

Former Gov. John Connally
As seen on an HPR
Building bulletin board.

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Fall enrollment booming

□ Mabry says students turned away as surge taxes facilities.

BY JENNIFER MURRAY
OPINION EDITOR

Overcrowded classrooms, longer lines in Subway and parking problems are all signs of record setting enrollment this semester that produced a 12.5 increase.

Enrollment for the fall 2003 semester at the University reached a total headcount of 4,780 students, which is up from the 4,247 last fall.

Enrollment reached the record count this fall with 533 more students, while credit hours were increased by 19 percent.

"Enrollment could have

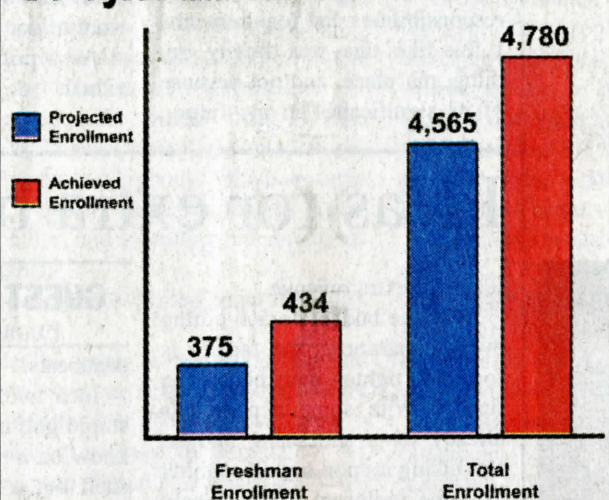
been much higher. We simply ran out of classrooms and faculty," President Rodney Mabry said in a press release.

The University has had an increase in enrollment for three consecutive years gaining 32 percent during that period.

"We are very excited about the large enrollment this year. We expect even more next year," Jim Hutto, dean of enrollment management said.

The Longview University Center decreased in enrollment from 437 students to 347 and the Palestine campus had a 20 percent

UT Tyler Enrollment for Fall 2003



BRYAN STEIGMAN staff graphic artist

increase from 109 students to 131 this fall.

"Expanding our efforts and recruitment is a big issue," Hutto said.

Telephone campaigns,

direct mail and faculty becoming more involved were contributing factors to the quick expansion of the University, Hutto said.

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Longview UC fights for fitness

BY P. ADRIANNE PAMPLIN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Longview University Center students will pump iron again soon, after campus representatives asked administrators last week to restore health club privileges that ended in August.

About 35 students took advantage of the meetings, conducted Sept. 4 at the Longview campus.

Dr. Howard Patterson, dean of student affairs, and Jolene Lampton, director of the Longview University Center, answered students' questions.

The opening of the Louise Herrington Patriot Center corresponded with the expiration of contracts with Woodcreek Athletic Center in Tyler and Parke Way Family Fitness Center in Longview.

On Sept. 2, Tyler students began taking advantage of the Patriot Center's pool,

free weights, weight and exercise machines, track, racquetball courts and other amenities, but Longview students felt pinched by the loss of Parke Way.

"We had the [Parke Way] membership; then it was taken away," said Stasha Barrett, a senior elementary education major. "I'm used to working out. Now I can't, and I'm stressed."

Patterson and Dr. Dale Lunsford, vice president for student affairs and external relations, planned the meetings to get student input on how best to apply the \$8,000, spent annually on Parke Way memberships for Longview students.

On Tuesday, Patterson said the university's financial services office was preparing information necessary to go out for bids.

"They will establish the bidding criteria and compare amenities offered at the dif-

ferent [Longview area] clubs," Patterson said.

A committee also is being formed to evaluate the bids received, Patterson said, adding he hopes to appoint student representatives from the Longview campus to serve on the committee.

The Longview center enrolled 347 for-credit students this fall and 69 students in non-credit classes, Lampton said.

Patterson said he was pleased with the turnout for the two meetings and was glad to hear students' needs.

"All the students agreed they'd like access to a fitness club," Patterson said. "Some want to swim, some play racquetball, some want to use the machines. They were interested in fitness in varying degrees, but all interested in some kind of access."

Longview students must still pay the \$40 recreational

"I'm used to working out. Now I can't, and I'm stressed."

Stasha Barrett
Longview student

facilities fee for use of the Patriot Center. All UT students are entitled to take advantage of the recreational facilities and other services in Tyler.

Nursing student Janeen Smith said she believes she speaks for other nursing students in requesting fitness center access.

She also asked that nursing students be notified of future meetings and activities via the Internet.

"All of the nursing [communication] is done online. Tell the instructors about meetings and events so they can e-mail us," Smith said.

Nursing and Health Science filed their applications from Aug. 25 to Sept. 8.

College of Arts and Sciences: (one senator seat open)

- Jerrod Acree, political science major
- Keanan Beierle, biology/chemistry major
- Giannina V. Bregón, pre-med/biology major
- Jakeshua Fuller, mathematics major
- Stephen Kiepke, English major
- Bobbie Masenda, criminal justice major
- Sarah Rice, speech major
- Jennifer Shaw, math/education major
- Sterling Smith, computer science/spanish major
- Sasha Strain, biology/pre-med major
- Dustin Tallent, biology major
- Jeremy Whitten, history major

reviewed some key election code rules such as disclosure of financial reports and campaigning regulations.

The meeting was mandatory for those candidates wishing to campaign.

The elections also will decide freshman representatives who will advise the SGA on representing the incoming freshman class.

President Ryan Palmquist said the five freshmen receiving the most votes will go before the executive committee of the SGA to determine whether they will be appointed.

Palmquist said Tuesday the 10 to 12 freshmen running for these positions were still being checked for candidate eligibility.

Those elected will start their duties immediately, and elected senators will receive \$150 stipends at the end of their term.

LIKE CLOCKWORK



KATHY SYLVESTER staff photographer

A mechanical lift aids workers repairing the Riter Millennium Carillon Bell Tower. For the full story on the bell tower's repairs, see Page 6.

Silence greatest tribute to Sept. 11 anniversary

The second anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks came and passed on campus the way such an event is meant to be—without fanfare or commemoration, only an unspoken yet driving pain.

The flags flown at half-staff symbolized the spirit of America far better than an administrator's speech or hollow memorial. No political rally could have matched the message carried by those lowered banners, the poignant reminder of our country's death and—as they rise again—its rebirth.

For indeed, America as we knew it came to an end that day, two short, uncertain years ago, collapsing along with the towers that represented the economic might of the Red, White and Blue.

And though the fantasy of security we all built for ourselves crumbled and died, the resilience of Americans showed through even in the real world we had long hidden from ourselves.

This is a world of harsh realities, where more than 3,000 lives may be snuffed out in an instant in our own back yards. It is a

Editorial

world where invasions and conflict can and will affect the average American, and where we must weigh the cost of safety against the price of freedom.

Moreover, it is a world in which everyone must be vigilant. Even now we are losing freedoms in the name of preserving liberty, as the ramifications of the USA Patriot Act and laws designed to fight terror become apparent.

Now we face the greatest threat: that in fighting oppression, we may oppress ourselves. That to save freedom, we may destroy it.

These restrictions, and these risks, make it all too clear why it is not yet time to grieve for our nation's fallen heroes.

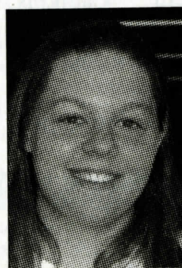
The war on terror continues, and until it subsides, we must steel our anger and sorrow into a shield against weakness.

We will appear strong, rising from the ashes on wings born of that silent, unyielding pain.

And as with every war, we will honor our dead when the time comes.

CAMPUSVoice

How do you feel about a gay and lesbian club on campus?



Jessica Gullett

Major: Undecided, Freshman

"I feel that everybody has a right to support what they believe in, if that is in a march or a club."

GULETT

Kris Shipp

Major: Interdisciplinary Studies, Junior

"I don't see a problem with that."

Everybody should have a right to



Freshman fear back with a vengeance

Where some freshmen work hard to pay for rent and food, and go to school for 15 credit hours, or where others study for every class and try to best their high school expectations of college, I sit and twirl my thumbs. Sometimes I don't even do that; it takes quite a bit of energy to continually move one's digits.

I understand the importance of a solid education and fully appreciate the work that others do in order to keep this vast world of ours running and functioning smoothly. But I also understand that my place in this world is not known to me, and that with little to no exception do I imagine myself being a prominent figure in any sense of power or success. Yet, I am here and I consume; I must find my place in this world.



THAT'S MY STORY

JOSHUA DAVIS

but because of its simplicity and ease. "This isn't so bad."

After day two I was ready to drop out. I had survived listening to my art professors and grinning in pride as I heard far-off deadlines and the absence of bi-daily papers and reading assignments. "This is going to be easy."

Then, as I walked out of my last class the next day with an assignment hanging over my head and a 10-page research paper simmering on the backburner of my

where my eyes are opened and I can finally see. After much physical abuse, I have my eyes swollen shut, and there in the darkness of pain and agony, and through recovery, answers are revealed to me. In the period of time that followed my metaphorical brow beating, I have struggled greatly with healing, rubbing my eyes and clawing at bandages, almost entirely ignoring their purpose and importance.

But I am still learning and still recovering, and every day I realize something new and possibly hopeful about my situation as a spoiled freshman in college. As stated, I do fully appreciate hard work, especially when I am not doing it.

No, specifically when I am not doing it. And, mind you, my

this includes those activities that are beneficial to me, even in the short run. I discovered some time ago that the importance and relevancy of my presence here is unquestionable, and that despite hoping for the contrary, I will be forced to work at least relatively hard if I wish to survive.

I must support myself and answer to many of my loved ones, who consider my success in college and in life to be not only a responsibility to myself, but to them as well. I have come to accept this as irrefutable truth.

My will has been formed and beaten, tempered and thrust into the fire, and now I stand ready to make something of myself, to forge a place in my own future. In response to my impending alteration and my will to move

Everybody should have a right to express their own individuality."



MURPHY

Marva Murphy

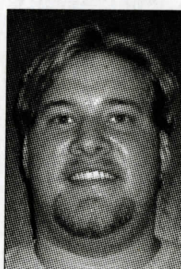
Major: Nursing, Junior

"They have a right of speech and assembly. As long as they can respect others in their actions, I don't have a problem with it."

Jeremy Light

Major: English, Junior

"Spiritually speaking, homosexuality is a sin. According to the Constitution, however, I believe gays and lesbians have the right to freedom of speech and freedom of assembly."



SCHEIDLER

Evan Scheidler

Major: Math, Junior

"I don't care. What you do in your free time is your own business."

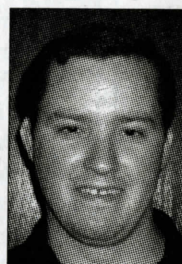
Douglass Foster

Major: Technical Professions, Senior

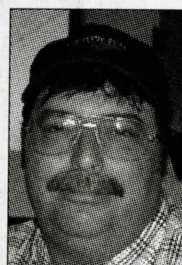
"I'm not in favor of it. It goes against my religious principles."



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LIGHT



FOSTER

On my first day of college, and for some time before that, I asked myself whether or not college was "for me." That first day I sat through my first two classes and smiled as I began to hear of my responsibilities and requirements. I felt like this was finally my thing, my place, and not because of its significance in my future,

mind, I realized the truth of the matter.

I had experienced my little fantasy that college was for me and that I could easily make it if I tried. Now it was over and I had work to do.

As a primarily stubborn individual, I do not have revelations

problem lies not in "laziness" as much as I wish it did. If I could quite simply be put to work and learn to be productive, I would be in a better position than I am. My problem and ultimately my solution, stems from the absence of a muse, of a proper sense of motivation. I find it near impossible to force myself to do anything, and

forward toward at least moderate success, I have set my heart and mind upon another inquiry, one that goes beyond questioning my place or importance: how do I survive in college? I am struggling and I am ready to outlast pessimism and apathy. All I require now is the proper fuel to aid me in my journey.

Ideas for extra budget provide new alternatives

Ideas for extra revenue.

With the budget crunch hitting every department, the faculty is forced to tighten their belts even further. With some departments already on a shoestring budget, I'm taking it upon myself to think of some foolproof plans to help the Universities bottom line.

Idea one: Start charging the ducks on the Tyler campus rent. In my time at this University I've contributed thousands of dollars in fees and tuition.

These ducks get free room and board from what I've seen; they think they own the place.

They get a free ride and they couldn't have worse attitudes about sharing the campus.

If our feathered friends don't like the idea of paying, I think you could fit a duck blind on the far end of Harvey Lake, and charge hunters to take shots at the little

GUEST COLUMNIST

EDDIE MALDANADO

deadbeats.

Idea two: Sell rides in those stupid golf carts to lazy people. I know on a ninety degree day I'd shell out a few bucks to avoid marching across campus with my over-priced textbooks on my back. Staff the golf cart service with people who got parking tickets for parking in spots clearly marked for visitors.

If golf carts are too expensive get some rickshaws from China, I know everybody has seen that episode of Seinfeld.

Idea three: valet parking, This pretty much goes back to the lazy thing, but if people have a weakness, exploit it. It works for the tobacco companies.

I'd be better with the idea of parking a mile away, and having my car beaten to death by the

careless door opening of other students, if I could pull up to the University Center and have an attendant in a red jacket give me a tag and speed away in my pride and joy.

Of course you would be limited in the number of parking attendants, but valet parking isn't for everybody, only the rich and/or lazy. Still I think you'd have a pretty decent profit margin.

Idea four: Find a cable network and sell the journalism department as a reality show. I'm sure there is plenty of drama out there for public consumption.

If a babbling rock star and his family can make millions of dollars being constantly scrutinized by a television crew there is no reason that we can't. Ride the wave of reality TV to fame and fortune.

Idea five: Advertising, adver-

tising, advertising. There is a huge untapped market, every lecture if not every class should have a sponsor prominently displayed and mentioned at least twice "Hello class and welcome to English 1301 brought to you by Pepsi."

That has to be good return for a client. I believe the terminology is market saturation. This could go a step farther selling naming rights for classrooms and buildings, the MBNA Nursing Building, or the Dr. Pepper University Center.

I mean this is already going on, why not just turn up the heat? I believe that we can all pull together and help our school through these tough times.

Of course basing our economic plan on the musings of a cartoon character might not be the best course of action, but then again I'm not in charge am I?

Corrections and Clarifications

The Patriot seeks to maintain high standards of fairness, accuracy and balance. If you are aware of a factual error, please contact the editor at patrioteditor@uttyler.edu or (903) 565-5565.

In the Aug. 20 edition of *The Patriot*, the last line of a story about the Patriot Classic should have read that the total donation to the scholarship fund was \$122,643.

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Campus CALENDAR

Sept. 19-21

• Racquetball tournament, Patriot Center, 4p.m.

Sept. 21

• Alpha Phi Theta induction, The Theatre, 7 p.m.

Sept. 22

• Intramural volleyball tournament, Patriot Center, 8 p.m.
• Fun Flicks/make your own music video, U.C. 118, 10 a.m.- 4p.m.

Sept. 24-25

• SGA elections.

Sept. 26

• UT Tyler Student Recital, IBraithwaiteRecitalHall, 2p.m.

Sept. 29

• Intramural Volleyball tournament, Patriot Center, 8p.m.

Sept. 30

• TISD string Fling, Vaughn Auditorium, 6p.m.
• Intramural tennis, Tennis courts, 2-3p.m.

Oct. 3

• Intramural golf tournament, Pine Springs golf course.

Oct. 4

• Sound of Music, Vaughn Auditorium.

Oct. 10

• Bully For You: Duane I. Johnson reception/gallery talk, 6-9p.m.

Sept. 25- Oct. 4

• The East Texas State Fair.



ROBERT BOGGS staff photographer

Curtis Fuller, a sophomore sociology major, takes a stand as a representative for the new campus organization.

Building a safe haven

Campus GLBT carving niche as first gay organization

BY ROBERT BOGGS

EDITOR IN CHIEF

Curtis Fuller is gay, and he's not afraid to say it.

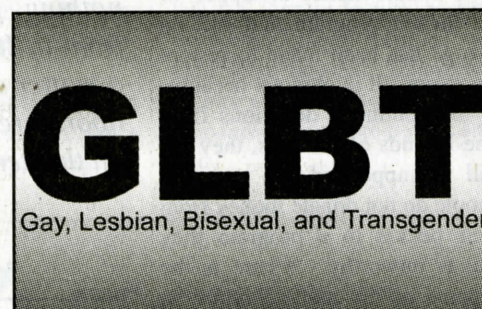
But others, wary of intolerant or even hostile reactions, might not feel as secure in coming out about their sexual orientation. With this in mind, the sophomore sociology major founded Campus GLBT, the University's first organization for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students.

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If I'm out there, I'm vulnerable, but I'm also available. And the greater good is what I'm trying to go for. If someone wants to throw a stone, I can dodge it.

Curtis Fuller

Campus GLBT founder



HASHING IT OVER

HEIDI BORDEN

The decision to cut theater as a major has confused and angered students, faculty and community supporters.

The decision should have included every theater student, faculty member and their supporters, yet it did not. It was decided by upper administration and then announced haphazardly between the end of summer session and the start of fall semester.

Students and faculty members want answers, but the administration is skirting around the questions. Their answers are insufficient to justify this decision. Budget reports and mission statements contradict actuality. There is no evidence any effort has been made to evaluate the program before phasing it out. The question is why?

Stephanie Sigler moved to Tyler from New York to pursue her career in theater. She met some successful actors in New York who touted our theater department as a top notch department. Sigler moved in April and applied to the University. She was accepted as a theater major, but before the fall semester, she received a letter stating the major had been removed from the University. An admissions counselor advised her to

Club NEWS

The Kappa Delta Pi education honor society officers for the 2003-04 school year are:

President: Tammy Sinclair; Vice president: Pam Baybee; Secretary: Alison Griffin; Historian/Public relations: Penny Wheelless.

In July, Kappa Pi sought donations from East Texas businesses and individuals in a campaign called "Certificates of Donation."

Their effort provided school supplies for 24 students, elementary to high school.

Kappa Pi also is planning a fundraiser and community project scheduled for Thanksgiving.

Meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm in UC 205. Light refreshments and door prizes offered to those in attendance.

Ahavath Achim invites students

Jewish students are invited to join the congregation of Ahavath Achim, 3501 Donnybrook in Tyler, for High Holidays services.

Rosh Hashana services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 26 and at 8:30 a.m. Sept. 27 and 28. Services for Yom Kippur will be held at 6:45 p.m. on Oct. 5 and at 9 a.m. Oct. 6.

For more information contact Rabbi Shecheer at 903-561-4284.

"There's no community in Tyler for GLBT people," Fuller said. "There's no community on campus. If you don't fit in, you're totally left out, and I wanted to correct that situation-or at least get the ball rolling so that people who don't fit in in other organizations, or don't necessarily feel comfortable, will have a safe haven."

For the University, Campus GLBT represents one more step in its growth. Organizations that promote social change have long been a hallmark of large universities. Fuller said he believes the higher the level of education a person receives, the more open and tolerant he or she becomes.

The University, Fuller said, has been supportive of the group. When the organization needed a sponsor, Shaune Martinez, the student development specialist who oversees student organizations, helped the group find a faculty adviser by posting the position on campus bulletins. Martinez said Duane Johnson, the University's art gallery director, volunteered to sponsor the group soon after he posted the notice.

Although he is not gay, Johnson said he is sympathetic to Fuller's wish for equality. He said he enjoyed working with students in the Art Club and saw the new group as a way to meet new students.

"I don't really get out and see too many other students or other people, faculty, whatever on campus outside of the arts, so it's kind of a way for me to branch out," he said. "And I'm real supportive of what they're doing."

Johnson's relationship with Campus GLBT has turned out to be mutually beneficial.

"I've learned a lot already from Curtis," Johnson said. "I mean, that's what part of it is about is educating everybody. Whether you're gay or not, it doesn't matter, as long as you're learning about it, understanding it and respecting their rights."

But not everyone is thrilled about the club's founding.

"If you let this group form, then anyone can come in here," said one student, who asked not to be identified for fear of retaliation.

Others did not support homosexuality, but thought the group should be allowed to form.

"I don't agree with that lifestyle, but they should have a right to have their own club," junior management major Dan Kluttz said.

Still, Fuller isn't too concerned about receiving negative reactions to the club. Even though his involvement in the group could bring attention to himself, Fuller said it may help people struggling with issues of sexuality

to know he's a safe person to talk to.

"If I'm out there, I'm vulnerable, but I'm also available," he said. "And the greater good is what I'm trying to go for. If someone wants to throw a stone, I can dodge it."

Group members, who held their third meeting Sept. 11, also plan to participate in community events such as a walk in October to benefit victims of multiple sclerosis and the World AIDS Walk in December. Fuller said he hoped making the gay community a visible group in Tyler would help others understand its members better.

Fuller said he also would like to see the creation of a "safe zone" program, in which trained faculty members would display a sticker in their offices identifying them as people available to talk to students about any issue with confidentiality.

But the organization is open to heterosexual students as well, and Fuller said he hopes the group will become a hub for "progressive" individuals. He said he has received e-mail from non-gay students interested in supporting the group.

National events may bring even more attention to Campus GLBT. This summer, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned a Texas law ban-

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change her major or look for another school.

"I was livid!", Sigler said. She is now working on a petition supporting the program.

Sigler said she believes the program is worth standing up for and has not come all this way to be put off by a decision she said she believes is a detriment to the University.

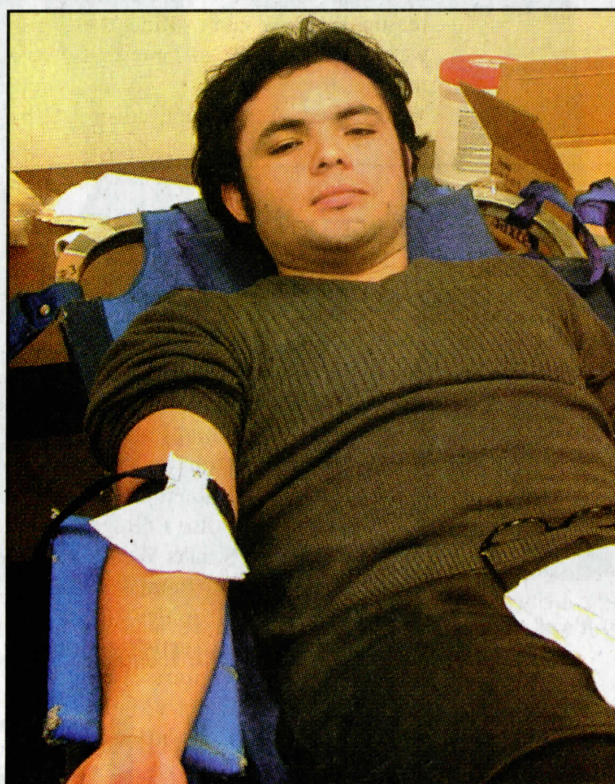
In a statement to the University regarding budget planning and reductions, President Rodney Mabry said it is clear student interest should be top priority.

"While adjusting to less state support, we cannot abandon our strategic mission."

We MUST continue to serve our students in a first-rate way and we must continue to build this extraordinary university."

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Blood drive pools in pint sized help



MARSHALL SHUGART staff photographer

Daniel Beernal, a junior computer science major, tries to relax as he donates a pint during an Aug. 26 blood drive.

CASSIE SMART
STAFF WRITER

White cotton swaths are displayed like badges of honor on several students and faculty across the University after the East Texas Blood Drive.

The credits collected on their donated blood can be accessed later to supplement the costs of medical care for students and faculty to supplement the costs of medical care.

"Not many students or faculty know about the blood pool that the university has established," recruiting officer Barbara Tice said. "It is available for all students and faculty at UT Tyler."

At the past blood drive on August 26, 39 units of blood were donated by faculty and students.

"Many people don't real-

ize the importance of donating blood," Tice said. "One pint can save a life, and every minute three gallons of blood is used in the United States."

The blood that is donated by students and faculty is put in a blood pool and can be claimed when needed. It is credited to the school for use in emergencies, and its use may soon become very important to Registrar Nina Rogers, who suffers from cancer.

"In an upcoming surgery for stem replacement, I can use the blood that the school has credited to them during my surgery," Rogers said.

Much of today's medical care depends on a steady supply of blood from healthy donors.

"I have to be in complete remission before the sur-

gery," Rogers said. "Right now I have three spots that the doctors and I are trying to knock out."

The blood pool is available to all students and faculty.

"I want the community to be aware of the blood pool in case an emergency should ever present itself to one of them," Rogers said.

The blood banks shortage of blood is a problem in many ways. In emergencies today the blood bank needs all types of blood on a daily basis for emergencies.

"I also want the credits put back toward the school after my surgery," Rogers said.

"That is why it is important for everyone that is healthy and able to donate blood."

Sixty percent of the U.S. population is eligible to

donate blood but only 5 percent do. Ryan Smith of Eastman Chemical donates whenever possible.

"I always have considered that someone in my family might need blood one day," Smith said.

"That is why I consider donating blood as a civic act I have to do," he said.

The amount of blood one patient needs can vary from one patient to another depending on the medical emergency.

Rogers said it is therefore important to keep a steady supply.

"But us as community, we will need to replace them for future needs."

Rogers will have surgery in October or November.

"I have learned that you have to keep your head up and have a positive attitude about this," Rogers said.

Womack kicks off performance season

□ Jacksonville native returns home to enthusiastic Cowan Center crowd.

BY MARSHALL SHUGART
PULSE EDITOR

Lee Ann Womack, a native of Jacksonville, Texas, was not born into the status she now holds in the music world.

She remembers growing up listening to the music of country singers like Glenn Campbell, and Dolly Parton.

One particular country performer that inspired her to begin her own singing career was George Strait.

To Womack, the fine arts are "A beautiful art form."

That passion for the arts turned into the album "I Hope You Dance," which placed her on the top of music charts.

Womack also uses that passion to encourage those who are seeking a career in music.

"Learn all you can and work hard at what you do," Womack said.

Ms. Womack encourages people not to give up their dreams no matter what they are.

"I believe it's very important," (the fine arts,) Womack said. Womack said that she tries her best to introduce her children to the fine arts.

On Sept. 12, Womack came to bring in the new season for the R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center.

Prior to the concert, Womack gave interviews to members of the local media.

Though Womack was running a little behind schedule, she was not stopped from getting the concert started on time.

During the concert, Womack performed fan favorites "I Hope You Dance" and "A Little Past Little Rock," in addition to singing a cover of a Patsy Cline song she recorded for a tribute album.

Womack also paid tribute to Johnny Cash, the well-known singer whose video for his rendition of the Nine Inch Nails song "Hurt" received nominations at MTV's Music Video Awards.

“Learn all you can and work hard at what you do.”

Lee Ann Womack
Country singer

Cash died early Sept. 12.

Womack's performance, which was received warmly by many fans, including a group of young girls in the crowd.

"We love you, Le Ann Womack," the girls yelled after Womack finished a song.

"I love you, too," the singer replied with a laugh.

Tickets are already on sale for the Cowan Center's next performance, the musical *Sound of Music*, which opens Oct. 4.

The Cowan Center season continues Nov. 15 with "Bowfire," a performance by 11 violinists.

Staff writer Robert Boggs contributed to this report.



Marshall Shugart, Pulse editor

Country music star, Lee Ann Womack signs autographs during interviews with the media.

Hashing

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In the same statement he said "Enrollment growth is strong, the community continues to support us with generous gifts and we are increasingly recognized as an exemplary place to work and learn."

The administration must recognize that in the words of its president, a certain standard has to be maintained if the vision is to be reality.

The records and statements point to the fact that UT Tyler is a strong and quality school with a clear vision.

come to Tyler to perform are an enhancement to the center, but the students are its core.

The Friends of the Arts continue to donate money in support of the theater program and still no change has been made to restore the major. It is obvious because of the continued donations from The Friends of the Arts, they are still in support of the program. People do not donate money from their pocket to a program they feel is unworthy. Where is the support of the administration in the interest of the students, facul-

“I believe that once you take away a department, nothing good can come from it. It is probably just a matter of time before the doors are completely shut on theater as a minor also.”

Liane Durham
Theater minor

removing a cultural and intellec-

Safe haven

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ning private, consensual sex between same-sex individuals.

"The state cannot demean their existence or control their destiny by making their private sexual conduct a crime," Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote for the court's majority in an opinion expected to generate wide protection from laws restricting sexual privacy.

Fuller said he was pleased by the court's decision, which met with heavy criticism from some conservative organizations such as the Culture and Family Institute and the Traditional Values Coalition.

"I was naturally ecstatic, because regardless of how anybody thinks-which again, I say I respect people's opinions-it's not the business of the state to decide

with whom I may fall in love or relate on a sexual level," he said. "It's my decision as a human being, and so I was very happy that the Supreme Court finally recognized that."

"Uncle Sam doesn't need to be in bed with anybody," he added.

Fuller said he hopes to continue educating others about the gay community.

He said the group is willing to participate in a roundtable discussion with other students to help them understand gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals.

As that educational process spreads, he said he is confident that acceptance for same-sex couples will grow, despite efforts by many conservatives and President

“I don't agree with that lifestyle, but they should have a right to have their own club.”

Dan Kluttz

Junior management major

George W. Bush to "codify" marriage as a union between one man and one woman.

"I'm convinced that everything will work out for me, and one day I will be able to marry somebody," Fuller said.

Contributing writers Tara Dugat and Adrienne Pamplin added to this report.

why give up a program that is so vital to the University and the community without even a second glance?

Theater minors as well as majors have strong feelings about the situation, even though the minor is supposed to remain in effect.

"I believe that once you take away a department, nothing good can come from it. It is probably just a matter of time before the doors are completely shut on theater as a minor also. I understand money guides most decisions, but I must ask this.... What steps have been taken to secure the efficient operation of the theater department? It is an important part of our University," theater minor Liane Durham said.

Durham's question is logical and shared by many. The Cowan Center is the jewel of the University and plans for a black box theater are in future projects reports. In continuing to build and renovate the Cowan Center, the facts point to continued use of the center. The Cowan Center was donated and set up for the use of the arts programs. Guests who

ty and community supporters?

In a message from Mabry to the faculty and staff,

Mabry writes, "The news is good—our funding from the Legislature will be better than we could have predicted when this process began with major cuts required by the Governor." Also,

"I am nevertheless pleased to say that we will have some additional funds to invest in our University. Our deans, directors and other leadership members will be fully involved in the process of providing input about how to use those limited funds."

Dean Donna Dickerson and Dr. John Webb provided their input to Mabry in recommending the theater program be cut. Why not use the funding to rehabilitate the program in the areas they deem deficient? It is obvious Dickerson and Webb are in agreement that there is a deficiency in the theater program. The recommendation for the cut has not been over turned and the decision is still in effect. The reports of severe budget problems are not evident at this time.

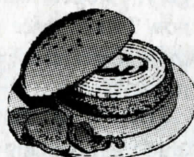
How can this University justify

tual program with such extraordinary influence on its students from various departments, faculty and community supporters? I would like to remind Mabry, Dickerson, and Webb of the mission statement, which is a foundational message of what our University stands for.

The office of the president's mission statement is inspiring and in the words of Mabry who states, "The University aspires to develop within its students an analytical ability to solve problems, an appreciation of the arts and understanding of the humanities. In this effort the University expects to influence the economic, social, cultural and intellectual development of the greater community." In support of the words of Mabry, it is without question that in the absence of the influence and impact theater creates, our contribution from the University to the cultural development of the community is watered down and weak at best.

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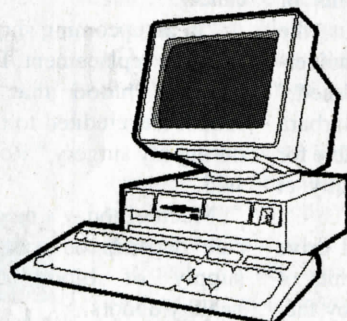
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BEALLS

Enrollment

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"Our goal is to be 6,000 students by the year 2010," he said.

The sudden enrollment increase has caused problems for some students.

"I don't have a parking spot. They built everything but parking spots first. That is the only thing that bothers me," Michelle Roycroft, a senior English major, said.

Others found problems inside.

"The halls are too crowded. Everybody's kind of grouchy because there's not enough room to move around in the halls. It's kind of cramped," Ingrid Patrick, junior accounting major, said.

Not everyone found the increased enrollment a bad thing.

"There are more girls to look at now," Anthony Smith, sophomore mechanical engineering major, said.

Contributing writers to this story were Ashley Barnes, Bonnie Davis, Anthony Davila, Holly Edwards and Cassie Smart.

UPines fills to full capacity for first time



ROBERT BOGGS staff photographer

University Pines Apartments residents participate in a game of "Battle of the Sexes." An increase in enrollment resulted in every apartment being filled and increased the percentage of University students living there.

BY VELMA HILL

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

For the first time in its history, University Pines Apartments is filled to capacity with nearly all its residents from the University.

Since its creation in 1993, the 160-unit complex has been home to a mixture of students from the University, Tyler Junior College and other surrounding colleges.

Now, all but four of the 380 residents are attending the University, managing director Jenny Sims said.

"Every available bed space is being used this semester and we have had to turn people away," she said.

The TJC students are previous renters who had the option of renewing their leases.

In the past, the ratio of University students to TJC students was about 50-50, Sims said.

In the fall 2000 semester, University students made up 70

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Jenny Sims

UPines Managing director

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percent of the apartment complex's population, according to the University's Web site.

Although the University owns the land where the complex is located, UPines is managed by private Houston-based firm Century Campus Housing Management. The company manages 40 campuses nationwide, Sims said.

University officials are planning to build a second student apartment complex to be owned and operated by the University. Plans for a residence hall also are being considered.

Pressure still on foreign students

BY DIANE SMITH AND JESSAMY BROWN
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

FORT WORTH (KRT) — Some foreign students who want a U.S. university degree have learned to cope with a new reality since Sept. 11, 2001: Without careful planning, they can miss semesters or even jeopardize their residency status.

Many international students and visiting scholars say added scrutiny because of their homelands is the norm two years after the terrorist attacks.

The adjustment has been especially profound for students from Middle Eastern or Islamic countries, Muslim leaders say.

"Why go through the agony?" asked Mohamed Elmougy, chair-

man of the Council on American-Islamic Relations in Fort Worth and Dallas.

"Unfortunately, when I talk to people from the Middle East right now, there is this fear of sending their kids here. They are always fearful of these stories of people being detained."

Yousuf Albusaidi, of Oman, said he empathized with America. The graduate business student at the University of Texas at Arlington said he understood the hassles he would face to study in the United States.

"I am willing to take the risk," he said.

But the scrutiny is still hard to bear, many say.

All international students must

be tracked by the federal Student Exchange Visitor Information System, or SEVIS. This fall, 600,000 foreign students are enrolled at U.S. schools, according to The Associated Press.

Even if students are in SEVIS, their homelands can trigger an in-depth security review. The Bureau of Consular Affairs said the turnaround time in 80 percent of such cases is two weeks.

Some students need to plan further ahead, said Cristen Casey, director of international student services at the University of Texas at Dallas.

"People are having to readjust their thinking about how soon to apply to universities and when to apply for visas," she said.

Faculty

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tem-wide survey, which was designed to measure faculty members' work life satisfaction, found employees were least satisfied with their jobs at UT Tyler, UT Brownsville, UT Pan American and UT Permian Basin.

Faculty members rated each item on the survey with a number from one to seven, with seven representing the highest level of satisfaction. UT Tyler's results were grouped with data from UT Brownsville, UT Pan American and UT Permian Basin. Individual results for UT Tyler could not be obtained on deadline.

The four universities assigned an average rank of 4.5 on issues including job security, salary and

autonomy in research and teaching.

Faculty gave the lowest ratings for opportunities to take sabbaticals and for their salaries, at 2.54 and 3.43, respectively. Autonomy in teaching received the highest rating, at 5.89.

Dr. Robert Nelson, FAC chairman, presented the system-wide findings on Aug. 27 and gave recommendations for improving conditions at all 15 UT components.

In general, the survey revealed that UT System faculty members were "moderately satisfied" with their jobs, he said. Tenure-track faculty and instructors in arts and humanities tended to be less satisfied.

The survey, administered by the Maine firm Digital Research, also found differences in satisfaction by race and gender.

African Americans were noticeably more satisfied than other ethnic groups, while Hispanics ranked their satisfaction much lower, Nelson said.

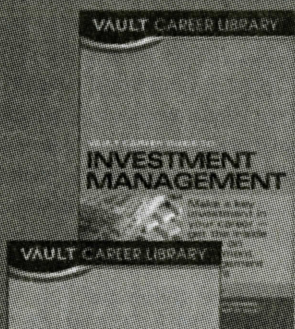
Men and women were about equally satisfied, but women were less certain about job security, salary and opportunities for advancement, he said.

Overall, faculty members at each university were least satisfied with the responsiveness of administrators to faculty needs and opinions and with the effectiveness of faculty governing bodies.

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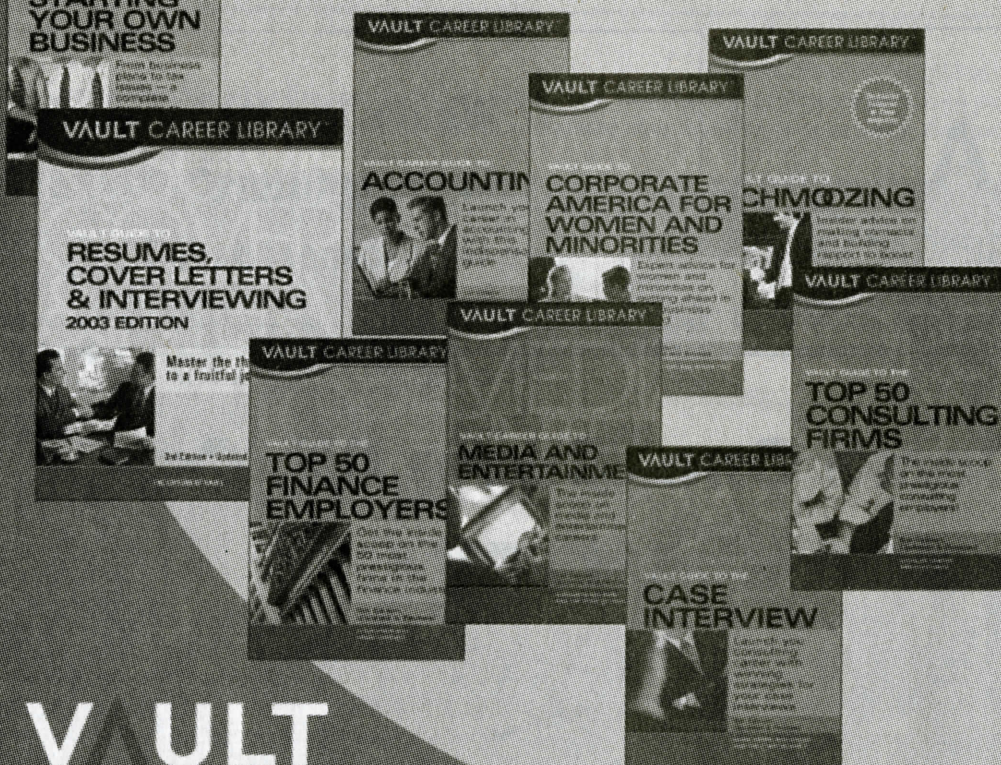
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Bell tower fix temporary, permanent repair planned

by MARSHALL SHUGART

PULSE EDITOR

Until a few days ago, students may have noticed something missing on campus — the chimes.

The Riter Millenium Carillon Tower stopped working more than three weeks ago after lightening struck it.

Officials estimate repairs to be \$38,500. Although repairs have not begun, officials did restore the quarterly and hourly chimes.

Lightening struck the tower about June 3, damaging the tower's computer panels which control the bells, Dr. John Webb, music department professor, said.

"The electric surge was so strong t it toasted it (driver panels,)" Webb said.

The strike occurred only four days after the towers last inspection, he said.

As soon as the problem was discovered, the panels were sent to the Verdin Company in Ohio, which installed the bells.

Company and University officials are now discussing whether to replace the copper wiring with fiber optic lines.

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When symbols are no longer around they're missed.

Deborah Balfour
senior elementary major

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The tower, which was dedicated in 2001, is the one the largest of its kind in the nation.

"Standing nearly nine stories tall, the Riter Carillon Tower will serve through the ages as the primary icon for UT Tyler", Dr. Rodney H. Mabry said during the dedication ceremony.

With few exceptions, the bells had been chiming every quarter hours since then.

At 5 p.m. each day, the bells were programmed to play various songs, including the University's alma mater.

"When symbols are no longer around they're missed," Deborah Balfour, a senior elementary education major, said.

However, some students said they don't believe the overall school spirit had been affected by the towers' loss of tune.

"I don't really care if the tower is working or not," Mikhail Iakhiaev a senior computer science and math major, said.

So far no money has been spent on fixing the tower because all expenses have been covered by the annual preventive maintenance fee, estimated at \$3,500 a year, Webb said.

The fee includes minor repairs to the tower, such as realigning the bells. However it does not include replacing the copper wire with fiber optic wiring, officials said.

The June strike was not the first time the bell controls have been damaged by lightening.

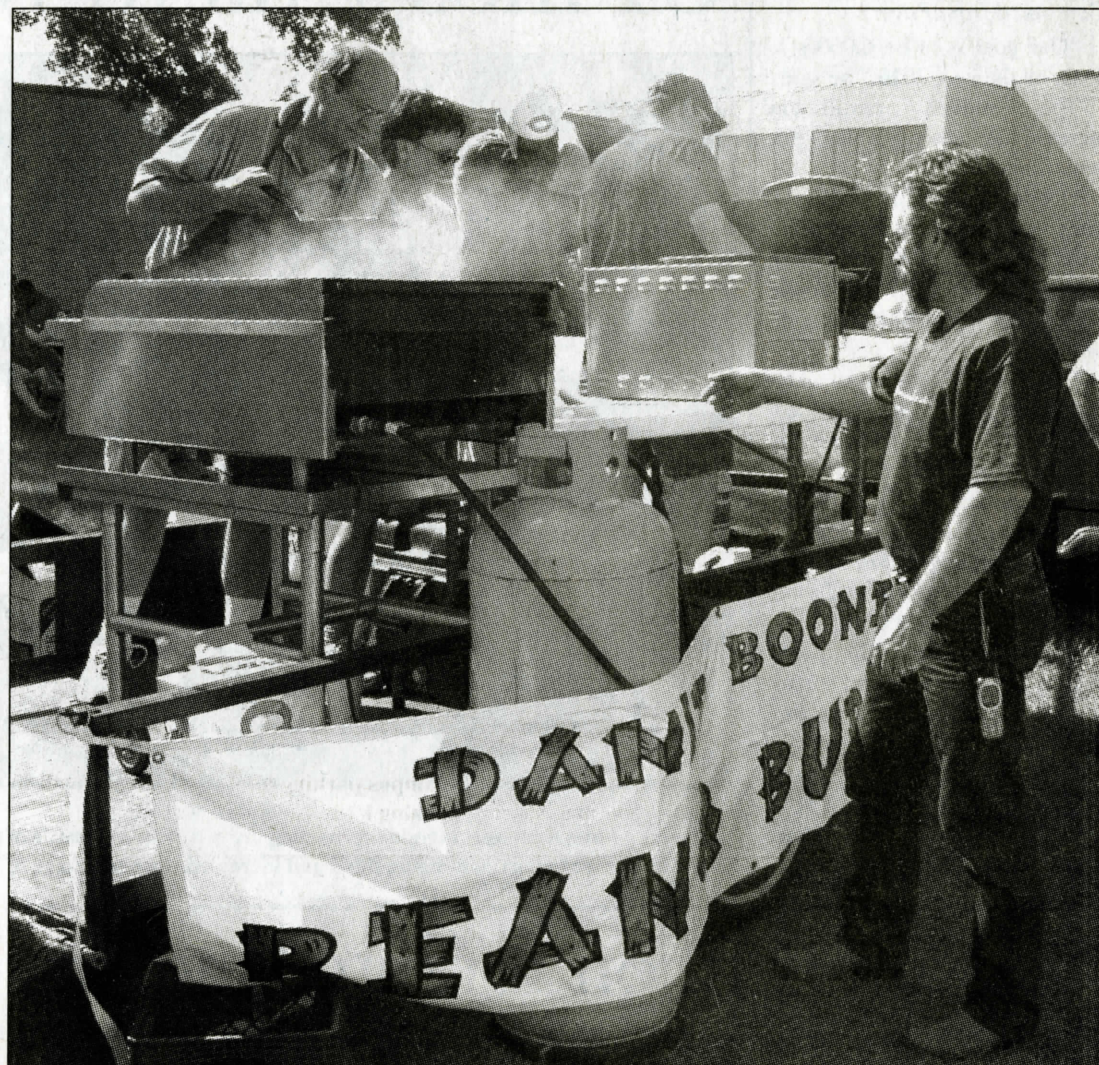
Webb said the plan is to "solve the lightning problem" by replacing the wiring.

The bells have been realigned and all the bells but one are working now, Webb said.

The replacement plan includes replacing the wiring the runs from with the control room in the Administration Building to the tower, he said.

The plans do not include replacing the wiring within the bell tower, Webb said.

FLIPPING BURGERS



BRAD SMITH staff photographer

Senior nursing major and SGA senator John Moore gets his burger from Dan Boone, owner of Daniel Boone's Bean and Burger, at an Aug. 29 soccer game. The business supplied free burgers for the tailgate party to celebrate the opening of soccer season.

STILL REMEMBERING



Viruses, worms bug UPines computers

by HANNAH BUCHANAN

ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

The University's computer services staff faces the challenge of debugging University Pines Apartments' computers, after a heavy bout of nationally known viruses and worms attacked the apartments' computers and network which caused slow Internet connections before the semester began.

"We're still in the process of checking each student computer for up-to-date Microsoft critical updates, up-to-date anti-virus def-

sure the students' computers are protected and do not have the viruses/worms on them."

Vick said he first noticed the network problem at UPines as students moved in before school started.

UPines residents may access the network through connections in every bedroom. Students pay \$50 per semester for the service.

"As we were connecting new users, my staff and I noticed the slowness of the Internet almost immediately. Because we publicized our solution to the problem

full confidence that the University has done its best to remedy the situation and is striving to prevent future occurrences," Dorn said.

Because of this incident, Vick said he and his staff are also working on an educational campaign to inform all users in safe computing.

"We have also purchased or will soon purchase additional network equipment such as new switches, firewalls, and registration system that will help to mitigate the effects of future virus and worm infections and increase the

problems.

"We're all fighting this new menace. [The] students at UPines and their parents are being so patient and understanding while we work to protect and disinfect the computers," he said.

"[I would also] like to thank the full-time and part-time staff of Campus Computing Services for helping," Vick said.

"Not only have we been busy fighting this problem at UPines and checking the University campus, but Microsoft notified the world on Sept. 10 that there is



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A U.S. Air Force KC-135 Stratotanker flies over a flag suspended by local fire departments on the Green Bridge in Bradenton, Florida, on Sept. 11 —the second anniversary of the World Trade Center attack.

initions and making sure each computer has been disinfected if needed," Michael Vick, University computing services coordinator, said.

"This is the first virus/worm attack the UPines' network faced, while the rest of the campus received little or no problems due to this attack," Vick said.

"The 'most destructive' viruses and worms to attack include 'Blaster' and 'Welchia/Nachi,'" he said.

"These viruses and worms cause so much network traffic that the Internet service slows to a crawl," he said. "The only way to protect the network is to make

before most students even knew there was a problem, we did not receive very many complaints about the Internet being slow before we began our cleaning process," he said.

Mariann Dorn, the UPines resident director and marketing coordinator, said she also heard few resident complaints from this set back.

"The students were concerned due to their lack of Internet, but they were very understanding given the situation," she said.

Dorn said she believes the computing services staff is effectively handling the problem.

"We [the UPines staff] have

speed with which we recover from the next problem," he said.

Security 'patches' are available to help protect Microsoft Windows-based computers, Vick said.

A 'patch' is a Microsoft critical update that is installed on the computer to remove the specific vulnerability that allows these virus/worms to attack a computer," he said.

"We are checking all student computers to be sure they are protected from and do not already have these virus/worms."

Vick said many businesses and schools around the country shared similar computer worms and virus

another vulnerability similar to the one that these worms are now attacking," he said.

Vick said the patches already applied would not protect against the new virus and worm that will soon come out.

"Everyone, not just UPines students, should update their MS Windows immediately," he said.

For additional information about future virus and worm outbreaks or how to protect Windows-based computers, please visit the University's main web site at <http://www.uttyler.edu> and Microsoft's official web site at www.microsoft.com/security/.

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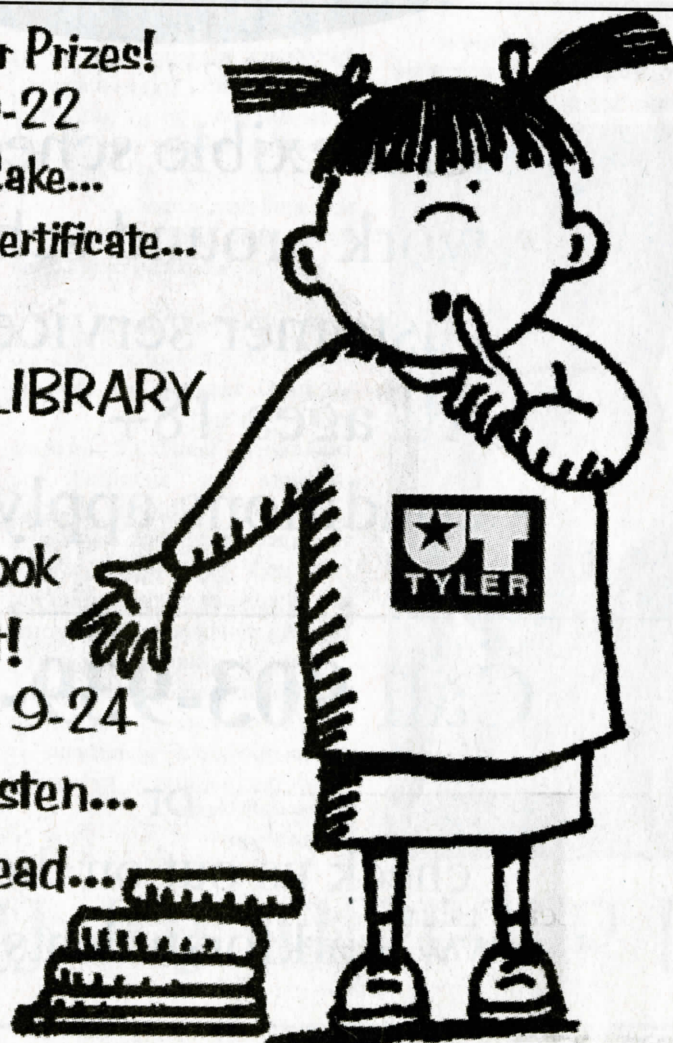
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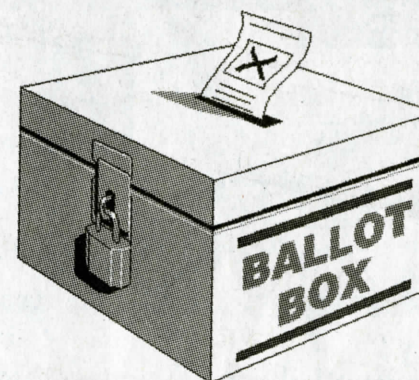
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University students drive their way through a maze of cars in a campus parking lot. Spaces are difficult to find because of increased enrollment of this semester. Another parking lot is under construction

Traffic accidents on rise as students battle parking

by EMILY STEVENS

SENIOR REPORTER

More students on campus and more cars in the parking lots led to a higher than usual number of traffic accidents on campus in about a two-week period of time, officials said.

Four accidents occurred from Aug. 22 to Sept. 9, a number which Sgt. Troy Smith of the University Police said "is a little high" for this point in the semester.

Smith said the parking lot currently under construction on Campus Drive should relieve some of the extra congestion around campus.

Smith also said the new parking lot is supposed to open around the first of October.

All four accidents, one of which was a hit and run, involved vehicles in campus parking lots.

At least one vehicle accident occurred near the main entrance to campus, where students parking along Old Omen Road hindered the ability of those exiting campus to see oncoming traffic.

One student reported he saw a black Honda Civic back into his truck while it was parked at the University Pines Apartments on Aug. 27.

An officer located the owner of the Civic, who said she hit the truck but did not see any damage.

She said she would pay for any damages if necessary, according to a police report.

No charges were filed.

After the 250-space parking lot adjacent to the R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center is completed, University officials plan to build an expansion of Parking Lot 6, which provides parking spaces for the Cowan Center, Hudnall-Pirtle-Roosth Building, and the David G. and Jacqueline M. Braithwaite Building.

Dr. Jim Ferguson, the vice president for business affairs, said the expansion is currently in the design process.

Ferguson also said there are long-term plans to create additional parking near a planned student apartment complex to be built near UPines.

Editor in chief Robert Boggs contributed to this report.

Former PATH director takes on new role

Nancy Fagan Lamar, former executive director of People Attempting To Help, has been named the new executive director of university advancement at the University, President Rodney H. Mabry announce on Aug. 25. Lamar will head the University's development initiatives, formerly held by Mary Untersee Irwin, who retired Aug. 31 after four years during which she raised more than \$24 million for the University.

Lamar's credentials include serving as president and executive

director of East Texas Communities Foundation since 1998. During her tenure, charitable assets had grown from \$1.8 million to \$13.5 million, while funding for grants and scholarships increased more than \$10 million.

She served as the executive director of PATH from 1987-1998.

Under her watch the organization's budget increased 10 times, from \$150,000 to \$1.5 million.

"We are pleased to welcome Nancy to UT Tyler. With her

accomplishments as head of the East Texas Communities Foundation, she is more than capable of carrying on the outstanding success of Mary Irwin and her staff in securing much needed funds to aid in the advancement of our students and the university," Mabry said in a August press release.

"I am pleased and honored to accept this appointment and am looking forward to working with Dr. Mabry and the faculty and staff of the university," Lamar said. UT Tyler is an incredible

asset to East Texas, and I am delighted to be a part of its future."

Lamar holds a master of science degree in social work from UT Arlington and a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from Southwestern at Memphis.

She is involved in community activities including the Junior League of Tyler, Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce, Trinity Mother Frances Foundation Advisory Board, Tyler Catholic School Board and Episcopal Health Charities of Houston.

Journalism student presented with 'freshman award'

BY MAEGAN MCGOWEN

CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Kristle Bryan, a first-year student, is in the spotlight.

On Sept. 2, Bryan became the first recipient of the Freshman Spotlight Award, which recognizes outstanding freshmen.

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I was really surprised – I just thought I was coming in and doing what I was supposed to do.

Kristle Bryan

tude that the administration is looking for in a Freshman Spotlight winner, says Ashley Ward, Office of Student Development.

The Spotlight Award, created by the office of student development, will be given each week to

"We want to recognize the effort it takes to excel academically, to make new friends, and to become involved on campus," she said. "We want to encourage freshman to make UT Tyler their home and not just the place they attend classes."

BREAKING GROUND



Vanessa Curry, adviser for *The Patriot* newspaper, nominated Bryan because of her excellent work ethic.

Bryan is also featured online in the IntercomOnline. This website is where Spotlight winners receive a writeup and picture.

"I was really surprised – I just

thought I was coming in and doing what I was supposed to do, and that was the standard," Bryan said.

This is exactly the kind of atti-

freshman

one freshman student.

"The award is designed to identify students who are willing to go above and beyond both academically and socially," said Ward.

Ward said she wants first-year students to know the Office of Student Success Center cares.

ward said Bryan is the perfect example of someone who went above and beyond what was expected of her. During the summer, Bryan began working on *The Patriot*, and is currently on the staff. Bryan began working on her high school newspaper as a sophomore.

BRAD SMITH chief photographer

Workers construct the new parking lot in front of the R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center. The lot will relieve the overcrowded parking situation that is causing problems for many students. Tentative completion of the lot is scheduled for early October.

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Two University athletes face alcohol charges

BY EMILY STEVENS

SENIOR REPORTER

Tyler police officers arrested three University students—two of whom are athletes – on Aug. 19 for public intoxication at the University Pines Apartments.

University Police Sgt. Troy Smith said guard Kris Edgemon reporting seeing freshmen soccer players Travis Whitehurst and Michael Frangullie, and another student in the back parking lot of the apartments at about 1:30 a.m. during a routine

patrol of the area.

Edgemon said he noticed one student vomiting and another "stumbling around" the parking lot, which led him to believe the students were intoxicated, Smith said.

Smith said Edgemon detained the three students until Tyler Police Department officers could arrive to perform field sobriety tests.

Chris Moore, the Tyler Police Department's information officer, said Lt. David Long of the

Tyler Police performed the tests and determined all three students were intoxicated.

Moore said Long arrested the students and took them to the Smith County Jail.

All three were released the same day after each posted a \$500 bond.

The athletes were referred to Dr. Dale Lunsford, vice president for student affairs and external relations, for disciplinary proceedings.

Lunsford said all arrested stu-

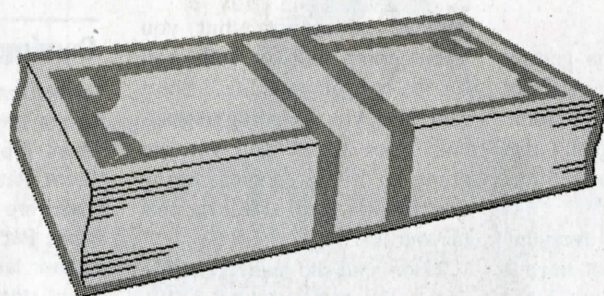
dents are referred for disciplinary proceedings; however, he only deals with athletes.

Lunsford said a student committing a violation off-campus can be called in for disciplinary action if a complaint has been made.

Dr. Howard Patterson, assistant dean of students, handles referrals for non-athletes.

The outcome of disciplinary proceedings are confidential because they are part of the student's records.

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CROSS COUNTRY

UT Tyler Invitational (8K) (Sept. 12) Men

Team finishes:

1. LeTourneau
2. UT Tyler

Individual UT Tyler finishes:

10. Jason Reed	26:31
11. Stephen Hughes	26:44
17. Kyle Halberstadt	29:18
22. Joshua Carter	30:32
25. John Simmons	33:12

Women

1. Katy Simpson (n/a)	18:12
2. Heidi Sanders (LETU)	18:26

SOCCER

Men

UT Tyler d. UT Dallas 3-2 (OT)
Aug. 29

Goals by period	1	2	(OT)	total
UT Tyler	2	0	1	3
UT Dallas	0	2	0	2

Goals: UT Dallas- A. Morshedi (1), G. Kachikis (1), UT Tyler- D. Browning (2), R. White (1), UT Tyler.

Assists: UT Dallas-D. Martin (1), UT Tyler- R. White (1), J. Parson (1), UT Tyler.

Forward Daniel Browning scored the game-winning goal.

UT Tyler d. Hendrix 4-0
(Sept. 7)

Goals by period	1	2	total
UT Tyler	2	2	4
Hendrix	0	0	0

Goals: UT Tyler-R. Hatcher (1), D. Browning (2), J. Cook (1).

Assists: UT Tyler- R. Kassim (1). The Patriots out shot the Warriors 19-5 on Hendrix's own turf.

UT Tyler d. Ouachita Baptist 2-0 (Sept. 13)

Goals by period	1	2	total
UT Tyler	2	0	2
Ouachita	0	0	0

Goals: UT Tyler-R. Hatcher (1), R. Kassim (1).

Patriot kickers scored two unassisted goals.

UT Tyler d. LeTourneau 3-0
Sept. 16

Goals by period	1	2	total
UT Tyler	1	2	3
LeTourneau	0	0	0

Off course: Meet hits snag

❑ Marker confusion leads runners astray during campus invitational.

by KRISTLE BRYAN
STAFF WRITER

Ragged breath and sweat-drenched clothes pounded out a path through the campus Sept. 12. The Patriot cross country team competed against LeTourneau University and community competitors.

The LETU men's team had the best scoring runners with a team total of 15 points while the Patriots took 43.

"From the beginning to the end I hated it," Patriot runner

John Simmons said. "I am so tired."

Everyday of the week the cross-country team meets at 6 a.m. to run. Routines vary between long, slow runs and quick, short runs, coach Mat Owings said. The only day the team does not meet is the day of competition.

The UT Patriot Invitational course was laid out over the course for Robert E. Lee High School's cross country meet, which took place the next day.

"[They ran off course] because of confusing markings. I can understand how they would be confused on where to go and this was our first meet. I had not had time to train course marshals," Owings said. "I do not fault the course marshals because I had not trained them."

The women's route was designed to have the competitors running west along Spur 246, turning onto Patriot Avenue, then onto Campus Drive. The course veers off onto Lake Drive and takes a left for a view of Harvey Lake and the Business Building. The run is completed by meeting back up with Lake Drive after the

semi circle and heading up the spur to the soccer field and the finish line. The total distance was supposed to be 3.1 miles. The distance covered was 1,450 feet short of the original goal, Owings said.

"We only gave places to the first and second place runners in the women's competition because there were course irregularities, a lot of people went off course," Owings said. "In fact, the two leaders went off course. But it was obvious that they were going to be first and second regardless."

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Kyle Halberstadt of UT Tyler attempts to close the gap between a competitor.

Kickers bring back 4-0 record

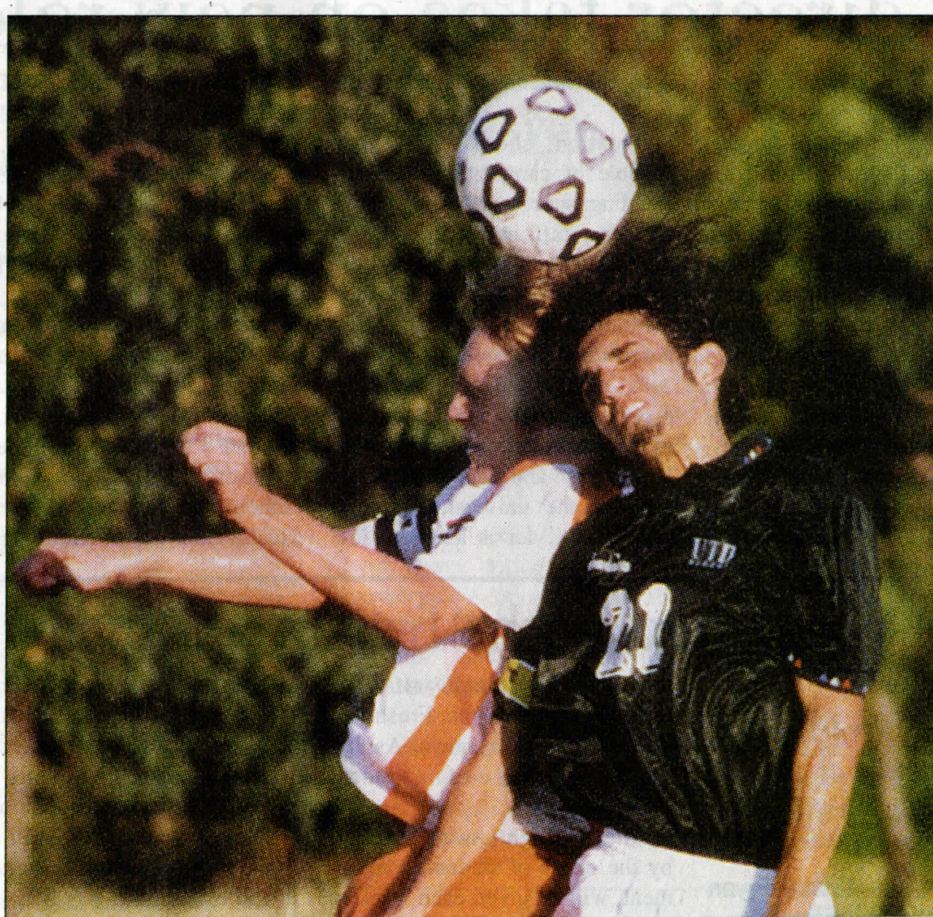
Men home for games

by KRISTLE BRYAN
STAFF WRITER AND
MATTHEW CROUCH
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Less than a month into the season and the University's mens soccer team remains undefeated as they prepare for two consecutive home games within the next three days.

The Patriot women, who already have equaled last year's win record, also will play before a hometown crowd under the same schedule.

The teams take on the University of the Ozarks on Friday — 1 p.m. for the women and 3 p.m. for the men — and Austin College — 1



Bases full after camp yields two

by KRISTLE BRYAN
STAFF WRITER

The Patriot baseball team roster grew by two names after open tryouts were held on Aug. 27 and 30 at the Grace Community High School baseball field.

Practice will begin Sept. 8 for the team who will wear orange and black. They will break on Oct. 17 until starting their spring season in January.

"There were about 30 players who came out for tryouts," head baseball coach James Vilade said. "We really weren't looking for any set number of players. We felt that we were going to try to look for players that were going to make an immediate impact on the team."

Talents on display for judgment are the

Goals: UT Tyler-Z. Hanson (1), D. Browning (2).
Assists: UT Tyler-R. Hatcher (1), R. Kassim (1).

Women

UT Dallas d. UT Tyler 2-0

Goals by period	1	2	total
UT Tyler	0	0	0
UT Dallas	1	1	2

Goals: J. Beachy, T. Knobloch, UT D

Assists: UT Dallas-C. Sanders (1), G. Nevit (1).

UT Dallas struck early, scoring in the 13th minute during UT Tyler's season opener at home.

Hendrix d. UT Tyler 3-0
(Sept. 7)

Goals by period	1	2	total
UT Tyler	0	0	0
Hendrix	1	2	3

Goals: Hendrix- K. Andreen (2), J. Miller (1).

Assists: Hendrix- R. Lowrimore (1), J. Kribs (1), K. Duval (1).

The Patriots tallied 13 shots for the day.

UT Tyler d. Ouachita Baptist 3-2 (Sept. 13)

Goals by period	1	2	total
UT Tyler	3	0	3
Ouachita	1	1	2

Goals: UTT-L. Lyle (1), C. Janton (1), L. Henrie (1); Ouachita- A. Hays (2).

Assists: UTT-C. Janton (1), L. Henrie (1); Ouachita-A. Carlee (1), J. Carson (1).

The game marked the first victory of the season for the Patriots.

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p.m. for the men and 3 p.m. for the women — on Sunday.

Both Patriot teams opened their seasons at home on Aug. 29.

Men

The men started the year off right with a 3-2 win over the University of Texas at Dallas in overtime.

The win boosted team morale, coach Kenny Jones said.

"To beat a team of that caliber and with their experience, it was a good game for us," he said. "It is also good for our confidence and for the team as a whole."

Richard White put the Patriots up 1-0 with an unassisted goal in the 31 minute mark of the first half. The Patriots came right back to put one in on a collapsed UT Dallas defense by Daniel Browning assisted by Jamie Parson at the 44 minute mark of the first half leaving the score 2-0 at half time.

In the second half, UT Dallas stepped up by scoring two unanswered goals while the Patriots appeared flat and fatigued.

The second half whistle blew leaving the game tied at regulation play 2-2.

What looked like a possible disaster for the Patriots, turned around in overtime when the team returned focused and re-energized.

Browning came out and recorded his second goal of the game with an assist by White.

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BRAD SMITH staff photographer

Patriot Derek Hatcher, left, and UT Dallas defender Roger Maher go head to head during an Aug. 29 match in Tyler. The Patriots treated the home-town crowd to a 3-2 overtime win. The University's men remain undefeated going into Friday's match against the University of the Ozarks. The Patriot women are scheduled to play the same school beginning at 1 p.m. Friday at the campus soccer field. The men's game is scheduled to begin at 3 p.m.

five tools necessary for baseball: running, throwing, fielding, hitting and hitting for power, Vilade said.

"We felt that they were definitely two players that could help us out in the area of pitching," Vilade said.

Vilade said he and his coaching staff began scouting and recruiting for the 2003-2004 team eight months ago.

"It was a fast and furious spring semester, and the summer was even faster," Vilade said. "We have been able to get in here and get a feel for who was out there and who was available and the direction that we wanted the team to go."

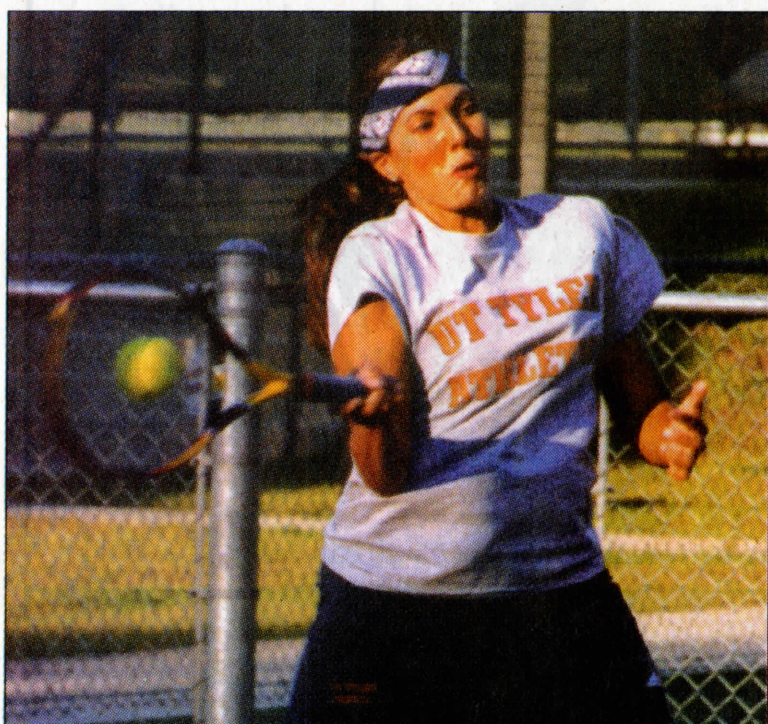
The powerhouses that now occupy the team roster is comprised of 24 All District, five All Area, nine All State and one All Conference players and two former pro-baseball draft picks.

The team will practice on the Grace Community High School baseball field, located across from University Boulevard, in the fall and is scheduled to play in Faulkner Park in the spring.

"Everybody is hopeful that we get the facilities open in the spring, but it's a tough process, and a long process," Vilade said. "One thing that Dr. Howard Patterson is bringing to the plate is making sure that when we do something, that we do it right

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TAKE A SHOT



BRAD SMITH staff photographer

Netter Giannina Bregón returns the ball during a doubles match at the UT Tyler Invitational Tournament conducted on Sept. 5.

Patriot Center debut set for volleyball match

by KRISTLE BRYAN

STAFF WRITER

Every dig, spike and ace made by the Patriot volleyball team makes history and sets the bar for next year's team.

Volleyball fans will get their first chance to see the team at home at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Harrington Patriot Center.

"I'm not nervous just really excited," Kayla Laningham, a junior player from Oakwood, said. "I'm like really, really excited about playing at home because I am close to my home and a lot of my friends and family will be here."

"And we get to play in this awesome building, this is probably the most expensive gym I have ever played in."

Coach Rachel Short enters her first year of coaching with a team of six freshmen and six transfers she began recruiting

last January.

"Most of my job is getting them here. I think I did a pretty good job of that. I have some depth on the team but then I also have experience too," Short said.

The team practices everyday even when they do not have a game. The players are expected to maintain a healthy diet, eating habits, rest and exercise to stay in their best shape.

"My main thing is defense and hustle. I just think that a team that has smart defense and quick reaction is able to commit to the ball early, has a much better chance to running their preferred offense," Short said.

She said the key piece of knowledge she wants her team to learn is personal responsibility and accountability.

"Volleyball is fun and it is a good way to express your com-

petitive athleticism, but you aren't going to play volleyball for the rest of your life," Short said. "But you are going to graduate from school and you are going to make choices during this time that will affect the rest of your life."

Short said she realized during one game that she really likes her team and the people her players were outside of volleyball.

"I think that it was a little intimidating at first. I think that they have taught me patience for others. They have a lot of patience for me," Short said. "I am not a seasoned coach and they are respectful to me. I haven't sat there and drilled them on that and said that you have to be respectful. They were just naturally like that. And I really appreciate that. It really just set the ground for me to be

Coming up:

Teams: Patriots vs. East Texas Baptist University

When: 7 p.m. Sept. 23

Where: Patriot Center

Cost: Free

Patriot Path:

At their last meeting on Sept. 16 in Marshall, ETBU defeated the Patriot in three straight games.

able to teach if the opportunity comes up."

Short said she encourages the players to get involved on campus and to support other athletic teams and the community.

"We went and volunteered at the food bank. We cleaned and packaged food and cleaned the building," team member Tami Trail said. "She wants us to interact with people and she wants people to know who the volleyball team is."

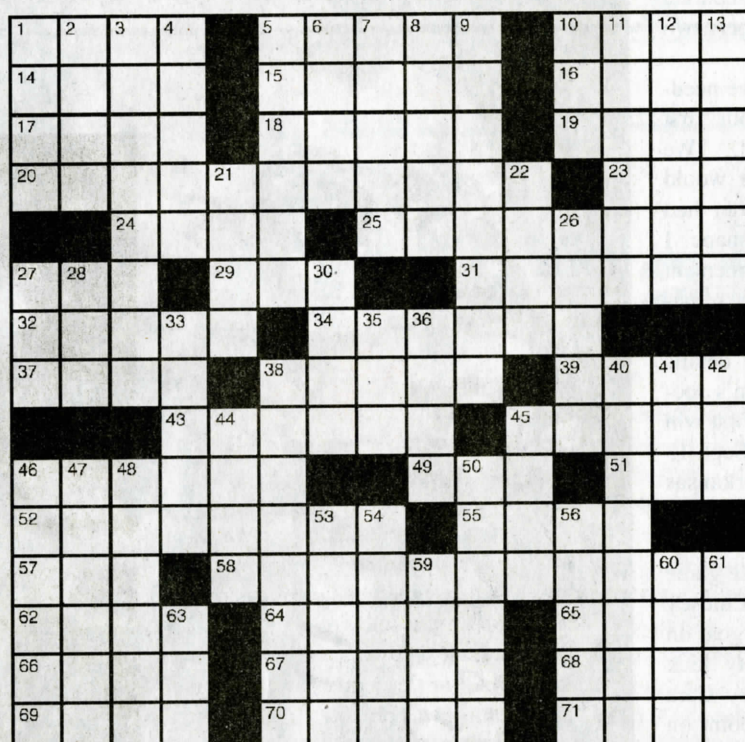
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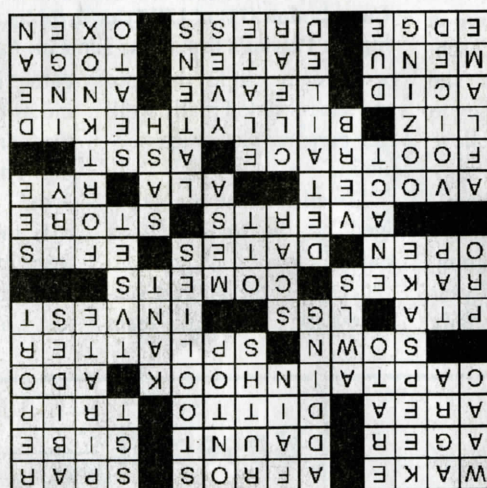
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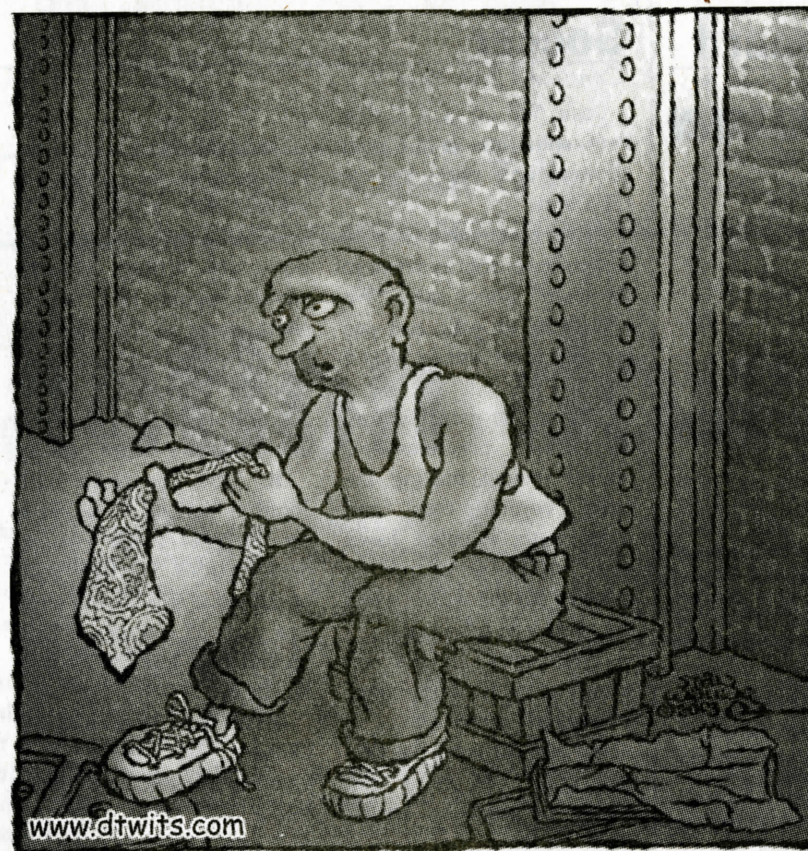


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Aries (March 21-April 20).
Family relations will begin a period of calm expansion and renewed



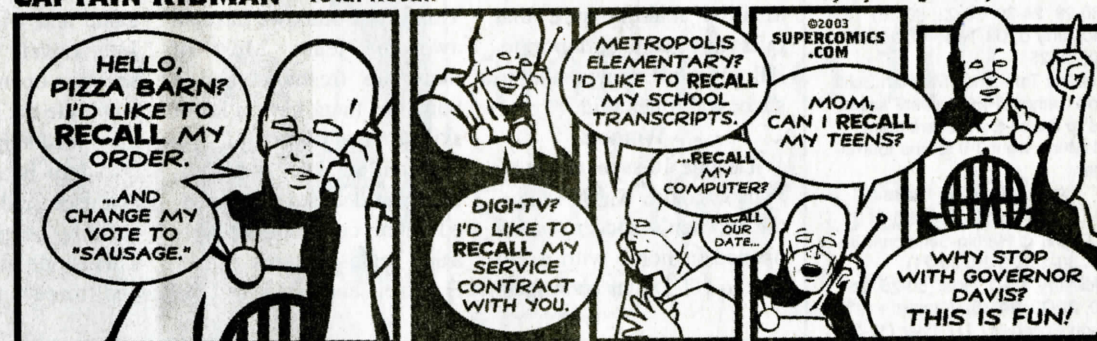
instructions and detailed financial calculations. Later this week, family discussions work to your



'No receipt, no returns.'
Bernard receives his gift from God.

CAPTAIN RIBMAN in Total Recall

by Sprengelmeyer & Davis



Slimbone

By Mike Maydak



Tuesday, social invitations and fast group proposals are accented. Friends and relatives will expect

Stay focused and clearly state your emotional limits. Later this week, a social or romantic invita-

expenses may be bothersome. Stay motivated.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19).

commitment. Strongly expressed opinions, controversial decisions or group obligations will no longer be ignored. Plan cozy home activities or private gatherings, if possible, and expect loved ones to ask for concrete social promises. Late Saturday, a lover or close friend may challenge your need to explore new relationships. Offer encouragement. Public loyalties are a sensitive issue.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Before midweek, romantic and social invitations are unreliable. Expect friends and lovers to present scattered ideas, misinformation or invalid facts. Be flexible and wait for canceled group events to be rescheduled. Friday through Sunday highlights financial discussions with loved ones. Budgets and long-term payments may be key concerns. By mid-October, employment strategies will need to be redefined. Stay positive and respond quickly to new proposals.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Over the next four days, financial



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messages may be misleading. Wait for potential partners or new employers to clarify their positions or offer reliable numbers. Although briefly delayed, revised business or money commitments will soon prove worthwhile. After Thursday, a romantic flirtation or new relationship may dramatically deepen. For many Geminis this marks the beginning of 18 weeks of passionate decisions and fast romantic changes.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Authority figures may be unusually focused on rules, regulations or procedures this week. Complex issues of ownership, seniority or legal permissions may be underlying concerns. Be supportive but ask for finalized paperwork, new

advantage. Someone close may soon admit to past mistakes or insensitive behavior. Remain diplomatic; others will follow your example.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Love relationships will be complicated but exciting over the next few days. Potential lovers and long-term partners may offer unexpected invitations. Ask for firm commitments or express a renewed interest in sensuality. Trust your instincts and go slow. Controversial social or romantic information may arrive after Friday. Later this week, rest, plan soothing family events and pamper the body. Minor skin ailments, digestive irritations or muscle aches may be bothersome.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Mentors or older advisers may provide misinformation early this week. At present, authority figures may feel uniquely pressured by deadlines, corporate policies or ethical standards. Pay special attention to time-sensitive documents and legal permissions. After

your undivided attention and continuing loyalty. Enjoy public activities with trusted companions.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Early this week, previously silent business officials may propose revised contracts or detailed partnerships. Many Librans will be asked to expand their circle of workplace influence. Don't be shy. Powerful financial rewards may soon be made available. After Wednesday, a long-term friend requests special favors. Romantic introductions, planned celebrations or complex social agendas are accented. Avoid emotional triangles, if possible, but stay involved. All is well.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Key officials may rely heavily on your advice or leadership abilities over the next six days. Although workplace roles may feel reversed, offer private encouragement to authority figures. At present, hidden workplace politics and conflicting priorities may create complicated group expectations.

tion may be quickly canceled. Expect only vague or lighthearted explanations.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21). Previously derailed relationships will now move forward. Before next week, expect loved ones or long-term friends to outline their fears, expectations or disappointments. Misinterpreted promises and unusual family obligations may be underlying influences. Stay focused on reliable agreements and demand detailed explanations. Friday through Sunday, romantic and business partnerships may also be affected.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Seductive invitations are accented over the next few days. Early Monday, respond quickly to unique flirtations or unexpected compliments. Many Capricorns will soon begin a phase of heightened sensuality and rekindled faith in long-term commitment. Use this time to establish a clear romantic understanding between loved ones. Later this week, financial restrictions and last-minute

shared agreements will now work in your favor. After Tuesday, expect complex property or business contracts to become workable, streamlined and predictable. In the coming weeks, your personal style and financial expertise will be greatly appreciated. Don't hold back. Wednesday through Saturday, new relationships captivate attention. Potential love affairs, subtle flirtations and seductive encounters are accented.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Colleagues and long-term friends will now address issues of lost ambition or disinterest. Remain patient and expect others to take extra time describing their ideas, opinions or needs. Wednesday through Saturday highlights detailed discussions with romantic partners or long-term friends. Key issues may involve emotional deadlines, planned events or public statements of affection.

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Winner of 'Last Comic Standing' looks ahead, faces new celebrity status in full swing

BY KATHERINE NGUYEN

THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

(KRT) - Dat Phan may be the "Last Comic Standing," but he can't seem to sit still at the moment.

He's slouched in his chair one second, then shoots straight up and slides back down again until his head rests against the seat and his legs are stretched all the way out. Every few minutes he taps his feet, rubs his eyes or runs his hands distractedly through his wild hair.

He has dark circles under his eyes, his hair is sticking in all directions and there's something intense and childlike all at once about him. His eyes seem to bulge while he talks, as if some caffeine kicked in overtime, or perhaps he just likes to look like he has attention deficit disorder.

When asked how life has changed for him since he was declared winner of "Last Comic Standing," NBC's hit reality show, Phan doesn't miss a beat: "I get about four hours of sleep every night now instead of eight."

Still fresh from his win, Phan

found himself making whirlwind appearances on "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno," VH1 and BET's "Comic View"; reading for a part in a movie titled "Cellular" with Kim Basinger; and interviewing with People magazine. Phan also found himself an overnight sensation with Vietnamese communities everywhere.

Phan recently had to be escorted by security out of the Asian Garden Mall in Westminster, Calif., after being mobbed by hundreds of ecstatic Vietnamese-American fans.

"It was crazy; I really never imagined all that," said Phan, who came to the United States from Vietnam at age 6. "Especially all the old people. And the kids! I didn't know if the Vietnamese cared or even watched the show."

"I think they were telling me to lead their people to victory," he joked.

But with a sitcom, a movie deal and a national comedy tour in the works - and a team of four publicists - it's obvious Dat Phan is being groomed for big things.

Phan is the youngest of 10 kids. He suddenly confesses that he was actually extremely shy, to the point that when he visited friends, he got so nervous meeting their parents that he would throw up.

He said his own family always regarded him as quirky and flaky, the oddball.

"Di kiem viec lam di! (Go find a real job!)," his mom would plead.

Phan takes on cultural stereotypes and has no qualms about using his distinct Vietnamese upbringing as fodder for his comedic material.

"Take out the trash before I diiiiiiiiie," he mimics his mom in a thick Vietnamese accent. "Befoh I kew yooooou!"

"My son Quan, he a lawyer; my son Dat, he lib in a car," he quips.

He makes no apologies for poking endless fun at his mom and all the other Vietnamese and Asian stereotypes.

"I have a right to make fun of my culture because I'm proud of my culture," Phan says. "Why do

I still eat the food, speak the language? I'm very proud of being Vietnamese and it's through comedy that I'm going to share my culture to everyone."

He cracks jokes about nail salons and dry cleaners - he puts that all on the table, he says, before a non-Asian person can.

Besides, he assures, the Asian "shtick" isn't something he wants to rely on forever.

"This is just so I can get on the

map," Phan said. "I want to be a part of the new generation of Asian-Americans taking it to the next level."

As part of his win, NBC executives are crafting a sitcom for Phan that will "pick up where Margaret Cho left off." Phan also received a cash award but would not disclose the amount.

Phan's mom, Dung Thi Ho, playfully hinted that she's grudgingly accepted the fact that her

son is a comedian.

"I guess he's funny, people seem to think he is anyway," Ho said during a phone interview. "I just never thought that one can be successful and make a living by saying funny things, making people laugh."

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Women

LeTourneau d. UT Tyler 3-2
(Sept. 16)

Goals by period	1	2	total
UT Tyler	2	0	2
LeTourneau	2	1	3

Goals: UT Tyler-P. Slate (2);
LeTourneau-S. Peace (2), L. Jett (1).

Assists: UT Tyler-L. Garner (1);
LeTourneau-T.C. Willis (2).

TENNIS

Men

UT Tyler Invitational (Sept. 5-6)
The Patriots took four of six matches and two of three doubles matches from Hardin-Simmons. The men also defeated Howard Payne and won three matches against Southwestern before the match was postponed due to the lack of time.

Women

UT Tyler Invitational (Sept. 5-6)
The Patriots lost to Hardin Simmons, but defeated Howard Payne University, 4-3. The Patriots won two matches against Southwestern before the match was called.

VOLLEYBALL

Women

Big Country Classic
in Abilene (Aug. 30)

UT Tyler d. Hardin-Simmons (30-18, 30-27, 30-27)

UT Tyler d. Mary-Hardin Baylor (30-28, 24-30, 30-23, 30-16)
McMurry d. UT Tyler (30-25, 30-20, 30-25)

Patriots Tami Trail, Meghan Sulik and Cathryn Hayslip were selected to the all-tournament team. McMurry went 3-0 for the tournament.

Austin College Classic
in Sherman (Sept. 5-6)
UT Tyler d. Hardin-Simmons (30-24, 30-18, 20-30, 30-21)
McMurry d. UT Tyler (30-25, 28-30, 25-30, 24-30)
Lyon College d. UT Tyler (12-30, 26-30, 30-22, 32-34)
UT Tyler d. Mary-Hardin-Baylor (32-30, 30-25, 23-30, 17-30, 15-8)

at Austin College (Sept. 10)
Austin College d. UT Tyler (30-28, 30-22, 28-30, 30-20).

at ETBU (Sept. 16)
ETBU d. UT Tyler (30-25, 30-22, 30-12)

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Note: The Athlete of the week is selected by UT Tyler's head coaches.

Men

Ryan Hatcher, a sophomore from Wichita Falls, soccer, Sept. 8-14.

Women

Tami Trail, a junior from Kaufman, volleyball, Aug. 25-31.

Cathryn Hayslip, a junior from Waxahachie, volleyball, Sept. 1-7

Soccer

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Josh Wilson and Colby Peek split time in the goal allowing only two goals for UT Dallas.

"Every game that we play in we see an improvement in the team," Jones said. "We will have to wait and see how the team will be after a loss."

During the game season, the team's practices are planed around making the team communicate and work better together Jones said. One-on-one instruction is saved for the spring when the team is in off-season.

"We work mainly on team communication during the season," Jones said.

He said the team has certain goals and rules that aren't "his" rules, but are the "right" rules.

"We obviously want to win but we have a young team and we need to develop the team over the next four years. We do that by setting goals and by instruction and also by making sure that everyone can collaborate. All of those things add to success," Jones said.

Women

Despite 10 saves made by Patriot goalie Kara Hiakos, the women's soccer season opened at home with a 2-0 loss to UT Dallas on August

29.

Jessica Beachy scored the first goal for the comets 13 minutes into the game.

The Patriots were able to hold off further UT D advancements and seven shots made on the goal till the whistle for half time. The Comets' goalie Katie Johnson deflected five shots made on the goal.

In the second half Johnson deflected one shot on the goal while Hiakos derailed three. The final goal of the game was scored with less than 15 minutes in the second half left by Tiffany Knobloch.

When the Patriots met the Comets last year, the Comets defeated the Patriots 9-0.

"Last year was a lot of fun, but we didn't win games," sophomore player Chelsea Healey said. "We had like fifteen players but five were hurt so we had 10 players instead of eleven. This year I think we have an awesome team. Most of them are freshmen and a bunch of them have a lot of skill. I mean it's crazy."

After the loss to UT D, the team decided they needed more conditioning Lyle said. Team captains Amber Haralson and Lindsay Lyle

each run with a separate group of team members two times a week.

"We knew that we needed to do it after our first game," Lyle said. "We played well but we would have done a lot better had we been in better shape. I think we are all in agreement that we need to do something extra."

Attention to the details paid off. The women's soccer team took their first win of the season of 3-0 Sept. 13 in Arkadelphia, Arkansas against Ouachita Baptist University.

Two minutes in the game Lyle, assisted by Lindsey Henrie, put the first goal on the board. A penalty kick nine minutes later by Cara Janton put another point on the board. The final goal for the Patriots was scored by Henrie off of Janton.

Team bonds are being built over pasta dinners and movies the night before a game and with their coach, Jodi Lovell who said she keeps an open-door policy to any issue the players believe they need help with.

"Jodi is a great coach," Haralson said. "She is really building a great program. This is only our second year and three times as many



BRAD SMITH staff photographer

Cara Janton (11) of UT Tyler dribbles around UT Dallas defender Crystal Sanders (10) during the Patriot's first home game on Aug. 29.

people came out for the team and she recruited really well. Her persona just drags people in."

Lovell said she is encouraged by the girls' actions and beliefs.

"I guess the biggest surprise this year with the team

is that it has not been solely me as the head coach that is the facilitator for team building. They do things on their own," Lovell said. "When it is time for me to hold a team building acidity or do something with them, it is just natural. They have

jelled so well together. A part of our recruiting [process] was to get the right personalities in here and to get the girls that want to do the right thing. Girls that a, want to come here for athletics and grades and b, want to continue to play soccer."

Running

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Owings said two women came in who could have placed third, one that did not run the correct course and one who finished behind her who did.

"I am the only one who ran the course correctly," runner Crystal Phifer said. "I have ran the course before. When we were supposed to go left most of the girls went right."

The men's route was close to the women's but would move back toward the

University's West Entrance after circling the lakes and loop by the library and back down the lakeshore.

The runners should have followed Lake Drive to the West Entrance and down Patriot Avenue to the spur and then to the soccer field and finish line.

Owings said instead of running the 8K, the men ran about 3.9 miles and did not run along the spur.

"The men's scores were

recorded because we think that everyone ran the same course," he said. "They ran a short course, they did not run the right course and sometime that happens in cross country racing and in road racing."

The USCAA Nationals cross country meet will be held on campus Oct. 31.

"We want to take a good look at the course to see how we can better mark it for the national meet," Owings said

Baseball

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and don't cut corners, and we sure don't want to cut corners on the baseball/softball complex."

Coach Vilade said he has hopes the players will grow in all aspects on and off the field as well as have a successful season.

"As a coach I try to help a player in a lot of different areas besides baseball," Vilade said. "We are involved in the community, we want to show them the value of the community. We have always been firm believers of if the

nity is in turn going to value the team."

Vilade started a charity called Sports Cards for Kids, a program that promotes education and baseball through the gift of baseball cards.

"We've been going strong since January of last year. It is just something that I had thought of about two years ago that I wanted to try and process to see if we could reach the community while promoting our sport as well. We also promote the educational side and the caring side of it," Vilade said.



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